AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0006] on page 3 as follows:

[0006] Both of the conventional techniques as disclosed in the above-mentioned publications require an additional member for preventing detachment. Thus, an increase in the number of parts is involved. Further, it is necessary to provide a step for mounting this additional member, resulting in an increase in cost. At the same time, to install this detachment preventing member, it is necessary to additionally secure an axial mounting space in the bearing device, which obstructs-impedes a reduction in the size of the fluid dynamic bearing device.

Please amend paragraph [0010] on page 4 as follows:

[0010] In particular, since the protruding portion to be engaged with the shaft member is provided in the sealing portion, there is no need for any additional detachment preventing member. Thus Accordingly, there is no need for a mounting step or a mounting space for such a detachment preventing member, thus making it possible to achieve a reduction in the cost and the size of the fluid dynamic bearing device.

Please amend paragraph [0015] on page 6 as follows:

[0015] By forming assembling a motor by with the fluid dynamic bearing device as described above, a rotor magnet fixed to the shaft member, and a stator coil fixed to the housing, it is possible to provide a motor (a spindle motor, polygon scanner motor, or other small-sized motor) suitable for information apparatuses as mentioned above.

Please amend paragraph [0019] on page 7 as follows:

[0019] Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken along the line A-Aline III-III of Fig. 2;